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Cambodian children to receive gift of bicycles

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Mindenites can help make the Christmas season a little merrier for children in Cambodia by buying them bicycles through the Minden Rotary Club.

"That becomes a form of family transportation," says club president Betty Mark. "It's not just for a kid to get to school."

Members Bill Obee and Kay Godden will travel to Cambodia in January to deliver the bicycles, which cost \$50 each. Obee will be returning in February to help build a school.

Mark, a retired Archie Stouffer Elementary School teacher who recently took over the proverbial helm as club president, has been a Rotarian for the past four years.

"I had a number of people approach me and ask me to join," Mark says. "I thought that it would be a good fit. It was a nice way to meet new people."

Small but mighty, the Minden Rotary Club is 20 members strong. Some recent projects have included donating \$15,000 for automatic doors at the new Minden Food Centre, as well as a \$2,000 donation for playground equipment at the Lochlin Community Centre, which the club is trying to match through a grant.

It's also working toward new signage for Rotary Park, a Minden Hills hidden gem off Highway 35, adjacent to Kawartha Dairy.

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Just art'n around

Minden's Naomi Bainbridge, 8, adds paint to her wax resist piece she produced at the Art'n Around after school program on Tuesday at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. The program, which is for children from eight and up, is held weekly on Tuesdays (except for month of November) from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and runs from September to May. Children learn about various art techniques, media and artists. See mindenhills.ca/workshops/ for more information./DARREN LUM Staff

Wetlands and Waterways examines ecological threats

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

"For me, it's just an excuse to be outside," says Sheila Ziman of her art.

An environmentalist and founding member of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, Ziman is also a skilled weaver and her exhibit *Wetlands and Waterways*, now showing at Minden's Agnes Jamieson Gallery, forms a crossroad of those passions.

Ziman began as a traditional weaver of textiles, working on a loom.

"I just hated sitting inside at the loom," she says, explaining she took her first basket-weaving course at the Haliburton School of the Arts in 1989.

She would go on to become an instructor a decade later.

Basket-weaving would send Ziman into the great outdoors in search of materials.

"I got really interested in using natural materials," she says. "Learning how to snowshoe was great, because I could actually go out and walk on wetlands."

Ziman's work uses various types of flora and some fauna, too. Some pieces includes antlers, quills or deer vertebrae, for example.

The exhibit not only celebrates the wetlands of the Haliburton Highlands, with their bounty of biodiversity, but also includes subtle warnings about lurking threats to the important ecosystems.

"The more people enjoy and appreciate nature, they're more apt to protect it," Ziman says. "I also wanted to show some of the threats to our wetlands."

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Weaver Sheila Ziman draws on themes of nature with exhibit *Wetlands and Waterways*, now showing at Minden's Agnes Jamieson Gallery. CHAD INGRAM Staff



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Exhibition weaves together flora and fauna of the Highlands

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In the centre of the gallery's main room are three baskets atop tiered pedestals.

The first basket represents a healthy wetland, featuring a variety of plants, including phragmites, an invasive species that has been making itself more and more present in the Haliburton Highlands in recent years.

Blue tubing interwoven in the basket's ribbing represents the water table.

"The water level is a more healthy level," Ziman explains.

The second basket has more phragmites and a lower water level still.

The third basket contains just phragmites, and a lower water level still.

"When phragmites moves in, it begins to affect the water table," Ziman says, emphasizing this of course has negative

implications for other plants, as well as the creatures that make the wetlands their home.

Another piece, entitled *Over the Rainbow*, is a mobile of woven fish suspended from the ceiling.

Amongst the school is a smaller fish of silver and bright colours, representing the rainbow smelt.

"The rainbow smelt is an invasive species," Ziman says.

Another work, *Turtles Rule the World!*, features an alternative take on a turtle crossing the road, with a woven snapper looming over a toy truck.

Ziman implores would-be weavers who want to get into the art form to exercise great care if they intend to use materials from nature.

"If people are interested, they need to be careful and gather sustainably," she says. "All that material is food, shelter or habitat for creatures."

Wetland and Waterways is on display until Nov. 7.



Ziman's work demonstrates how the art of weaving entails much more than just baskets.



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Rotary seeking corporate sponsor for Bluegrass festival

from page 1

“We’d like more people to know about it,” Mark says.

Among the club’s annual activities is the Minden Bluegrass Festival, which it hosts at the fairgrounds each July. “It’s for the community,” Mark says, explaining it’s not a big fundraiser for the club itself. “We get people coming in, they’re buying groceries, they’re buying gas, they’re going to restaurants.”

The festival is joint effort with the Minden Kin Club and Minden Legion, the former operating a campsite at the fairgrounds during the event and the latter looking after the provision of refreshments.

The club is seeking a corporate sponsor for this year’s festival.

A large annual fundraiser for the club is its dinner and auction, typically held in June. “Those

funds stay in the community,” Mark says. “We send kids to camp.”

Anyone interested in purchasing a bicycle for a child in Cambodia can contact Obee at 705-489-3333 or Godden at 705-286-4469.

Anyone interested in joining the club can contact Mark at 705-286-4754. While members are encouraged to make it to as many meetings as possible, Mark said there is a misconception any missed meetings must be made up for, which is not the case.

“

It’s for the community.

— BETTY MARK ON THE BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

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Betty Mark is president of the Minden Rotary Club. The club, which does all manner of good in the community, is always looking for new members. Anyone interested in joining can contact Mark at 705-286-4754. CHAD INGRAM Staff

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MEETINGS & EVENTS

Nov 12

9:00 am, Committee of the Whole meeting,
Minden Council Chambers

Notice of Special Council Meeting

Take Notice there will be a Special Meeting of Council held on Monday, November 9, 2015 at 9:30 am in the Council Chambers located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON.

The purpose of the Special Meeting is to proceed into Closed Session in accordance with Section 239(3.1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, as amended, for the purpose of an education and training session regarding strategic planning and economic development.

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If interested, please submit your name and contact information together with a short statement of your interest and/or experience with the matter with “Renewable Energy Task Force” in the subject line by mail or e-mail to:

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For more info, please call the Environmental & Property Operations Manager at (705) 286-1260 ext. 216

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To enter a float in the parade, contact Elisha at 286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

For more information on these programs, please contact Elisha Weiss at 705-286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider by-laws to stop up, close, and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

1. File No. SRA-14-10
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Davis Lake, lying in front of Lot 8, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 2, on a Plan of Survey 19R-9773, registered September 11, 2015.
2. File No. SRA-15-10
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Soyers Lake, lying in front of Lot 28, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-9776, registered September 17, 2015.
3. File No. SRA-14-08
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4. File No. SRA-15-05
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5. File No. SRA-14-02
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Mountain Lake, lying in front of Lot 4, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-9754, registered July 21, 2015.

The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on **Thursday, November 12th, 2015** at the hour of 9:00 a.m. At that time, Council will hear in person or by their counsel, solicitor, or agent, any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. If deemed advisable, the proposed By-laws will be passed at its regular meeting to be held on **Thursday, November 26th, 2015**.

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Inconsistency in CCAC CEO pay models, auditor general finds

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

A September report from Ontario's auditor general found large discrepancies in the pay of the CEOs of the province's Community Care Access Centres (CCACs), as well as inconsistencies in the models through which they are paid.

CACCs are fully funded by the ministry of health and long-term care, through the ministry's Local Health Integration Networks, of which there are 14 in the province.

Depending on the complexity of the organization (there is a ratings system with levels one through five), CCAC CEO's salaries range from \$145,000 to \$351,000 a year.

Some receive signing bonuses and performance payments on top of their base salaries.

"One CEO received a signing incentive payment of \$45,000, representing 25 per cent of base salary that year," the report reads. "This is significantly higher than the signing incentive payment of eight per cent of base pay that was paid to the CEO of another CCAC in 2010. The board of directors in the first case did not document the criteria used to arrive at the 25 per cent incentive, but explained to us that the CEO received the signing incentive payment so that his full salary in that year would be consistent with that of other CCAC CEOs."

In another case, a board of directors had approved a performance bonus of more than \$38,000 for its CEO, even though that CEO

did not achieve the highest performances rating possible.

There were also cases where CEOs declined pay increases, asking instead that raises be given to other staff members.

"One CEO declined a board-approved salary increase of \$50,000 in July 2013 and performance payouts of about seven per cent for 2012/13 and 10 per cent for 2013/14, saying the money should instead be available to other staff in the CCAC," the report reads. "Another CEO declined a performance payment of more than \$15,000 in the 2013/14, citing the need for prudence in the fiscal environment at the time."

The auditor general's recommendation was that CCACs should follow a common CEO compensation framework and be required to report any exceptions to their respective LHINs. In response, the province said it will work the LHINs to ensure "that there is a common and accepted CEO compensation framework in place for all 14 CCACs."

The report found that in 2013, the average CEO salary was \$249,000, representing a 27 per cent increase from 2009.

According to the report, for 2013/14, an average of 13 per cent of CCAC funding was spent on indirect expenses, such as executive and administrative staff salaries and other administrative expenses.

An average of 82 per cent of funding went to direct patient services, comprised mostly of the salaries of nurses and personal support workers.

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A bright idea

MINDEN HILLS Councillor Jeanne Anthon has suggested on more than one occasion the upper tier of Haliburton County should institute some kind of standardized approval framework for lower tier councils to use in the assessment of solar project proposals.

And she's on to something.

2015, with an intake window for applications to the province's FIT (feed-in-tariff) program, has seen a deluge of delegations to the county's four lower-tier councils, with hopefuls coming before councillors seeking support resolutions for their proposed projects.

These have ranged from small, roof-mounted setups to a mammoth solar farm one company wanted to construct in Minden Hills.

While the ultimate decision on who gets the go-ahead lies with the province, applicants earn valuable points in the approval process by getting a support resolution from the local council.

Local councils, by contrast, have no established approval process, with councillors rather arbitrarily weighing the merits of projects on a case-by-case basis.

The current Minden Hills council has been fairly conservative when it comes to lending support for

solar projects, and recently even rescinded a support resolution for one project that had been passed by the previous council.

It's not that anyone opposes the concept of solar energy, but the county's councillors are cognizant that the Highlands' aesthetic beauty is one of the area's greatest assets. To pervert a forested vista with a block of solar panels is bad for business.

Minden Hills is being pro-active on the issue, forming a renewable energy task force, but an approval framework from the upper tier would achieve consistency throughout the county.

Like the provincial approval process, such a framework could also use a points system, with points awarded for distance from roads and residences and for the scale of concealment

efforts, such as vegetative buffers.

It could award points for what kind of revenue generation (if any) there would be for townships.

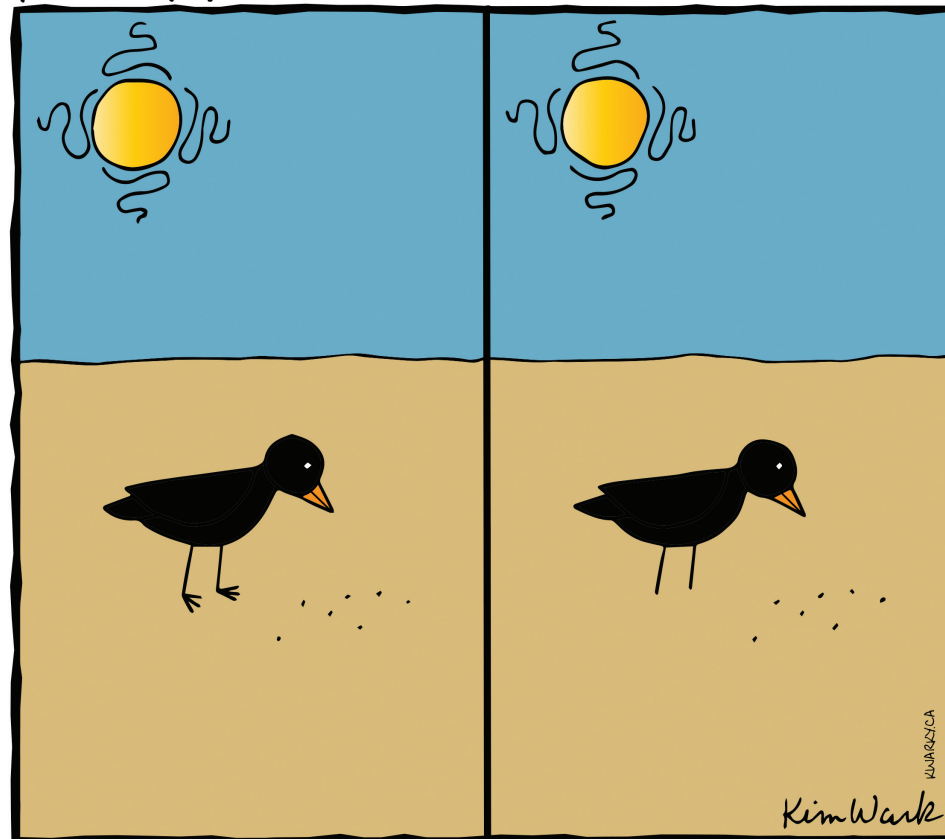
It could contain a maximum property size that approval motions would be passed for.

It could provide a valuable decision-making tool for local councillors and almost act as a guide for companies looking to set up shop in the municipality.

It could save councils and solar companies alike time and resources.

CHAD INGRAM
Reporter

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Trigger

I'M NOT SURE WHAT'S GOING ON but this week there is another report from the US in which a dog shoots its owners. This seems to be happening an awful lot lately.

Thankfully, this time the injury was only in the foot.

Still, as someone who owns two disgruntled dogs, I'm starting to get a bit concerned about all this. These reports are happening far more frequently and what gets me most is that no charges are ever laid. In most cases, the dog just walks.

A lot of people will even blame the dog owner. They'll tell you it's the owner's fault for keeping a loaded gun without the safety on near a dog.

Maybe that's true in this case too.

The owner was a woman who put her loaded shotgun, which wasn't on safe, down while duck hunting. Her Labrador retriever stepped

on the trigger and shot her in the foot. I would have believed this was just another unfortunate accident until I learned the dog's name. It's Trigger.

This, in itself, is enough to make me raise an eyebrow and be a little more suspicious. Sure the dog looks innocent enough. But let's consider potential motives, shall we?

First, let's examine the dog's occupation. He's a retriever.

What's worse is they were duck hunting. This time of year things get a little tough on a dog. The water gets colder and rougher. The retrievers get a little less comfortable. It's not exactly what most of us would call ideal working conditions.

Is this enough to cause a dog with no prior criminal record to shoot its master in the foot? It's hard to say.

But let's forget that for a moment. Let's say for the sake of argument the dog was a keener – a real retrieving machine. Well, that's great if you are always knocking down ducks. Then the dog is happy.

But what if its master is a lousy shot, missing every duck that flies by? Having owned a dog like this, and having missed a few ducks in front of it, I can attest they certainly don't like it.

They whine progressively louder with each miss and then give you a look that says, "Give me the gun and I'll do it myself."

Perhaps this dog decided that it would be best to wound its master so that it could go out with someone who is a more competent shot.

Both of these motives are worth considering.

Unfortunately, police do not take dog violence seriously these days. I believe this is because each police department has its own dogs embedded in

the system. And those dogs don't want to make the collar.

My personal feeling is that this was no accident. Trigger, if that is his real name, has probably been planning this ever since the no scooting rule was enacted. All it needed was the right opportunity.

No doubt it found it when the dog's "best friend" laid down a loaded shotgun within easy reach.

I also happen to think that Trigger – perhaps the cutest retriever you'll ever see – knew that no jury in the land would convict him if he batted his big brown eyes or just brought them all slippers.

So he set the perfect crime in motion.

Needless to say, I can't prove any of this.

But I won't be hunting with a dog named Killer any time soon.

STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Settling Frost Centre ghosts

EACH HALLOWEEN I PERCH ON A ROCKCUT ACROSS from the Frost Centre, watching for the ghosts to appear. They always do.

I see their excited faces as they step down from arriving school buses. I hear their laughter echoing in the dormitory hallways. I feel their presence as they hike the trail to the old ranger cabin.

The ghosts are my memories. Unsettled memories of when kids came to the Frost Centre to learn about nature and experience the health and joy of the outdoors.

One of my favourite memories is the Spirit Walk staged one Halloween week in 2002 by Frost Centre staff and others.

We walked the darkened grounds beside St. Nora Lake, unexpectedly meeting ghosts from the past carrying lanterns and dressed in the fashions of their times. There was a dynamiter who had worked on Highway 35 construction in the 1930s. And a log driver for lumber baron J. R. Booth in the 1800s. And a settler come to Haliburton County to build a life in the bush.

Each talked about the events of their times. It was a fascinating evening and we learned much about the lives of the people and the history of the area.

Another special memory is of following children through the Frost Centre's sawmill and sugar bush area behind Sand Lake. The kids saw how logs were milled into building boards, then how maple trees were tapped and the sap cooked to become maple syrup spooned onto fresh snow for them to eat.

These were paid attendance events put on by staff and Frost Centre friends who understood the importance to children, and adults, of learning our history and heritage.

All that ended July 9, 2004 when the McGuinty government closed the Frost Centre. David Ramsay, then natural resources minister, said education was not a core service for his ministry. The money spent on the Frost Centre operation could be better used improving health care, he said.

The government then proceeded to squander millions of taxpayer dollars in the outrageous EHealth and Ornge air ambulance spending scandals. The money lost in these mismanagement epics could have funded 10 Frost Centres for many years.

Meanwhile 35 people lost their Frost Centre jobs and the local economy lost an estimated \$700,000 a year. We all lost a priceless resource for learning about and understanding nature at a time when environmental disasters threaten our planet's existence.

Ramsay said the Frost Centre presented a great opportunity for private development. The government could sell it to private enterprise for developing into a resort.

The last thing Ontario needed was another struggling resort. Eleven years have passed since the closure. The Frost Centre sits empty and rotting, costing taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars a year for heat, electricity, maintenance and security.

I'm told that vandals have done a number on the demonstration sawmill and the sugar shack. I haven't been there myself because of the No Trespassing signs.

Someone is using the old police and conservation officer gun range behind Sand Lake. Every weekend there are explosions of gunfire from there. Some of it sounds like heavy calibre, automatic gunfire. On two weekend occasions there have been explosions loud enough to be dynamite or hand grenades.

There's no use wailing any longer about the Frost Centre closing. It is history and more weeping and gnashing of teeth will not change it.

It is time for a new approach. The Frost Centre should be dismantled. Local people should be given contracts to take down the 21 buildings and reclaim and recycle any useful parts. It is a project that should be managed by local government and local organizations. Certainly not by the Queen's Park elite.

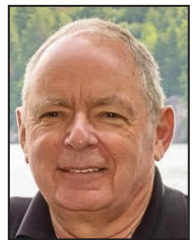
Take down the buildings. Plant more majestic white pines. Create a roadside park beside the lake. Or an expanded wilderness canoe/camping launch site.

Perhaps build a small museum, or at least a historical cairn, that will help people remember and honour the important history and contributions of the Frost Centre and its surrounding area.

Maybe then the ghosts of the Frost Centre will be settled.

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JIM POLING SR.

From Shaman's Rock

letters to the editor

Housing project too expensive

To the Editor,

I am all for government built affordable housing for the less fortunate but somehow it seems whenever politicians get involved in building anything they seem to pick the most complicated and expensive way to do it. In all of Minden they chose the most expensive site to build on. It will cost \$200,000 to relocate a number of existing structures on the site and relocate a trail. Even more importantly Minden will pay an additional \$45,000 per year theoretically forever because the proposed site is an existing snow dump and

the snow will now have to be hauled to the pit on Bobcaygeon Rd. That will be \$450,000 over 10 years, \$900,000 over 20 years, \$1,350,000 over 30 years.

Town council for heaven's sake what in the world are you doing! Just buy a piece of land anywhere with road frontage and for \$45,000 per year at present interest rates you can finance twice the number of units. Minden taxpayers are being taken for a very expensive ride.

Larry Bukta
Minden

Make Minden merry!

To the Editor,

Some of Santa's elves are fundraising to really light up the Village of Minden. We are asking retailers, restaurants, and other businesses to contribute. Some stores will have donation boxes at the registers to enable their customers to be part of the project. Lights on the lampposts, in the Village Green and on the bridges will make the village all aglow. The lights will remain through the winter months after the Christmas season is

over to make the village sparkle. Can't you just picture it? Will you join us in our effort?

The decorating elves will be starting Friday, Nov. 13 as the parade is the next weekend. Dress warmly and join the decoration group. Minden has always succeeded through volunteer efforts. Please help us. Donate now! Time is critical! Let's make Minden merry!

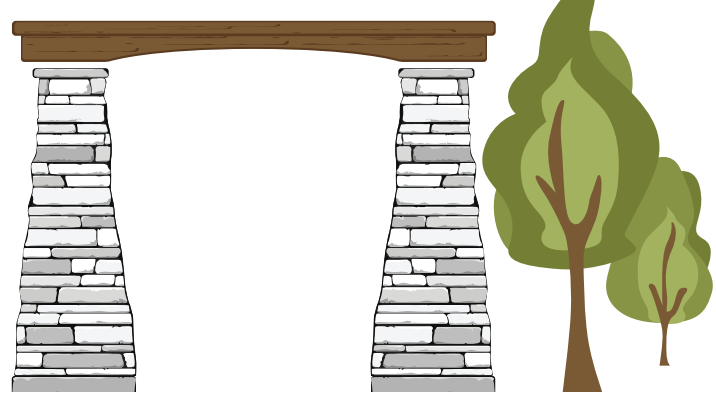
Merry Minden and happy Highlands!

Sinclair Russell and Lois Rigney

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The MINDEN CHURCH MOUSE heard Father Placid say...Laugh even a little, it's good for you!

Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?" The mother replied, "Because white is the colour of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life" The child thought about this for a moment then said, "So why is the groom wearing black?"

Three boys are in the school yard bragging about their fathers.

The first boy says, "My dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a poem, they give him \$50."

The second boy says, "That's nothing. My dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a song, they give him \$100."

The third boy says, "I got you both beat. My dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a sermon, and it takes eight people to collect all the money."

An elderly woman died last month. Having never married she requested no male pallbearers. In her handwritten instructions for her memorial service, she wrote, "They wouldn't take me out while I was alive, I don't want them to take me out when I'm dead."

A police recruit was asked during the exam, "What would you do if you had to arrest your own mother?" He answered, "Call for backup."

By Fr. Placid Obiji, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

Some upcoming November Church Community Events include:

November Sundays 10:30 a.m. – Sunday Worship Series on Nehemiah (Minden Bible Church)

November Wednesdays 10 a.m. - Ladies' Life Group Studies on Nehemiah (Minden Bible Church) 7 p.m. - Mixed Life Group Studies on Nehemiah (Minden Bible Church)

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 5:30 - 7 p.m. - Messy Church (St. Paul's Anglican)

Friday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m. – "A Song Upon My Heart" Concert to Support the Syrian Refugee Program of the United Church Mission & Service Fund – Tickets \$15 (Minden United Church)

Friday, Nov. 20, 11:30 a.m. – Christmas Luncheon, Bake Sale and White Elephant (Minden United)

Sunday, Nov. 22, 11 a.m. – Sunday Service/Joyful Noisemakers/ Lunch (Minden United)

Monday, Nov. 23, 10:30 a.m. – Book Study Discussion Group (Minden United)

Saturday, Nov. 28, 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Annual Kids Christmas Gift Sale – Kids come shop for your family. We Wrap and Tag it for you (all items 50c -\$1)(St. Paul's Anglican)

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Ending bullying with babies

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

Surrounded by the watchful eyes of Grade 5 and 6 students, who kneel and sit, silent, three-and-a-half month old Violet Buchanan lies on a green blanket, facing up with saliva bubbling out of her mouth as she gazes at her mother Caity.

Mother and child are not fully aware of the power they wield in shaping children's minds, but they will be after their first day of implementing the Roots of Empathy program at Minden's Archie Stouffer Elementary School, one of three Haliburton County schools offering it. The other schools participating are Stuart Baker Elementary School and Wilberforce Elementary School.

Caity and Violet's visits with local program facilitator, family health nurse Kelly Taylor, are part of an effort to decrease levels of bullying and aggression while raising social emotional competence and increase empathy through the Roots of Empathy program.

The split class is taught by Violet's father, Kevin Buchanan, who wanted his baby and his students to have an opportunity to learn from each other. The program is offered by the award-winning charity of the same name, which works to provide empathy-based programming for children.

Taylor said the objective of the program is for young participants to develop empathy by watching the development of the baby over the course of the year.

"When she smiles, if you look around, everyone just tends to smile when they smile because they see someone smile and it makes them feel good. So, they start to connect some of those things that if they have hurt someone's feelings, it doesn't feel good inside of them, and they can see the reaction that they caused in someone else," she said.

The mother of a toddler, Taylor knows firsthand how babies communicate.

"They're small and they can't tell us what they need and what they want. And we have to pay attention to all those other signs to how they communicate and tell us," she said.

A major factor in the program's effectiveness is how children like babies, she said.

"They really tune into them and start recognizing and so clearly use other means to communicating," she said.

She said this program is proven to have reduced bullying and aggression within students.

"They start realizing everyone is different. Everyone is unique and that's OK to be unique," she said.

The program's website (rootsofempathy.org/en/research-intro.html) said since 2000 there have been nine independent evaluations and two reviews related to its effectiveness.

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I'm excited to see how the kids are going to react to her throughout the year and at the end what they get out of it. And, what Violet gets out of it

— CAITY BUCHANAN

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According to the Roots of Empathy website, the program participants have an increase in social and emotional knowledge, decrease in aggression, an increase in prosocial behaviour such as sharing and helping, increase in perceptions within the participant group of the classroom as a caring environment increased understanding of infants and parents, and lasting results.

It also said one study commissioned by the Manitoba government in 2001 measured the prosocial behaviour, physical aggression and indirect aggression the following three years after the program was administered. There were significant improvement in all three behaviours immediately after and then maintained or continued to improve three years on.

The organization Roots of Empathy also offers Seeds of Empathy for children aged three to five.

Violet's first visit on Tuesday, Oct. 27 included class discussion, a series of activities for her to perform and measurements of her height and weight were taken. She will visit the class seven more times, every third week while Taylor will visit the class once a week, for a total of 27 visits.

The charitable organization Roots of Empathy that facilitates the program was started in 1996 by Canadian educator, author, child advocate and social entrepreneur Mary Gordon in Toronto. Gordon, an award-winning author, is a member of the Order of Canada.

The program has been taught in French and English to more than a half a million children from kindergarten to Grade 8 across Canada, the U.S., New Zealand, the Isle of Man, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland and Scotland.

Caity, who is on maternity leave, will make the school visits with her daughter and gives an added dimension to the learning experience for the students, who also see the interaction between mother and daughter.

Caity wanted her youngest daughter to have social interaction and new experiences.

"I'm excited to see how the kids are going to react to her throughout the year and at the end what they get out of it. And, what Violet gets out of it," she said.



Caity Buchanan holds her baby daughter Violet during a visit on Oct. 20 to Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden, as part of the school's Grade 5/6 class participation in the Roots of Empathy program. This program has shown to reduce aggression and levels of bullying./DARREN LUM Staff

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A scary Halloween story for Everly

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There are red and blue super heroes, white ghosts whose hands glow with bright neon colours, princesses in beautiful gowns and black-caped witches with their pointed black hat.

They all join together on this very scary night.

When the sun sets and the night spreads its darkness all over the land an invasion takes over the neighbourhood streets.

Running off porches, jumping from behind bushes, appearing from the cover of large tree trunks, shadows race up to decorated house fronts yelling and screaming.

This year, when the excitement filled the moon lit night, something was very wrong.

The air had turned a few degrees cooler, it began to get slightly darker out and slowly a heavy damp grey fog started rolling down the street.

In the distance a lonely horn blared as it tried to warn the island of the impending danger.

As the houses slowly disappeared the front lawns looked like big clouds that had fallen from the sky.

A silence threatened to smush, yes defiantly smush the sounds of

this oh so special night.

Just when confusion and fear started to make people’s hair stand straight up in the air, hearts beat a bit louder and cause tiny little goose bumps to appear all over their exposed skin a light pierced through the dense air.

Then another and another until bright yellow pathways criss-crossed each other and the assorted carved faces on the freshly decorated pumpkins could be seen.

Smart moms and dads were prepared with flashlights and lanterns, just in case the dark of the night tried to ruin the ritual.

Bravely the little creatures, with their decorative containers, and borrowed pillow cases approached the houses to continue the mission of collecting traditional black and orange Halloween candy, gum, red candy apples, jelly beans, chips, chocolate bars and more.

Their voices rang out, with tremors of excitement, the same thing that had been said every year to scare the real ghosts and goblins away.

“Trick or Treat”

Happy Halloween to all the little monsters.

Nancy Reid



Bill Wilson's house in Carnarvon is in the Halloween spirit! Decorated by Mary. Photo submitted by Laura Smith.



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Wolves host Dawson memorial game

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

While standing at the end boards, watching his son Tanner play for the Greater Metro Junior A Hockey League's Haliburton Wolves at the A.J. LaRue Arena, Scot Hamilton still remembers the smile on his son Dawson's face as they floated down the river on tubes the summer of 2007 in Gelert, as part of their time staying at a cottage organized by the charity Cottage Dreams.

On Nov. 19, the Haliburton Wolves will honour Dawson's memory with its first of what they hope to be many Dawson Hamilton Memorial Hockey Games with proceeds going to Cottage Dreams.

It makes Scot and his son Tanner feel good to know people have not forgotten about Dawson, the boy who had a passion for hockey and for life before he died from cancer in 2010. Dawson would have been 15 now.

Tanner is looking forward to the game and appreciates Cottage Dreams for what it did for his brother and his family.

"It was really cool actually. Just to realize what people do for kids like that. To know that they're always thinking of people that are sick and ... basically turning [residences] into a room full of fun. That's all it is. It's games, electronics like Playstations. Whatever you want to do, really. Pool tables. Basically anything we wanted to do," he remembers.

Three days into the week-long stay Dawson unexpectedly had to return to Toronto for treatment at Sick Kids Hospital.

Getting to contribute to Cottage Dreams and allow other children and their families this opportunity means a lot to Dawson's

older brother, Tanner. He appreciates the idea that the money will go directly to a specific cause and help people, instead of a large charity where that might not happen.

Haliburton's Owen Flood, a defenceman with the team, wanted to organize a charity game for October. The team's head of hockey operations Darryl Porter, also a cancer survivor, asked Hamilton if it would be OK to have a game in his brother's memory. They came up with the memorial game for Cottage Dreams.

"I think it will be a great way to [raise awareness for the cause] and have it played in his name," Flood said, referring to Dawson. "If the team keeps going strong then it will be a yearly thing."

Tanner was taken aback by his teammate's effort to initiate this game.

"I felt honoured and I really respect him a lot for that. It was pretty exciting when I heard we're going to have a game here for him," he said.

Blue was Dawson's favourite colour.

Tanner and Flood are asking everyone who attends the game to wear blue. A portion of the admission for anyone wearing blue will go to Cottage Dreams. Players are considering putting blue tape on sticks.

The team is planning a surprise for fans at the first period intermission while the second period intermission will feature the chuck-a-puck contest. All the money made from the chuck-a-puck contest will go to Cottage Dreams.

Flood said the event may feature a silent auction and/or raffle table with hockey memorabilia.

The funds made by the team from the



The Haliburton Wolves players and local residents Tanner Hamilton, left, and teammate Owen Flood are inviting the public to the Dawson Hamilton Memorial Game on Nov. 19. Hamilton is older brother to the late Dawson, who died at 10 years old from cancer in 2010. He hopes it will raise awareness about cancer and raise funds for charity Cottage Dreams Cancer Recovery Initiative which offers cancer survivors time with family and friends at a donated cottage. For sponsorship or information contact Jenn at 705-457-0712 or email jennfermaelittle@gmail.com/DARREN LUM Staff

50/50 draw will also go to the charity recipient. Although they won't tell the winner what to do, they hope that 50 per cent of the winnings will be donated back, bolstering the fundraised total from the event.

Besides the money, Hamilton likes to raise

awareness of how cancer can hit anyone.

"I love playing in games like this. It shows how much people care about cancer. Small towns come right together and it shows everyone cares," he said.

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Denzil Cox, 93, recently moved to Hyland Crest. He can recall a Minden few can, where horses provided most of the transportation. /Submitted



Herbert Cox, second from right with cigarette, and Edward Cox, third from left, back row, served in the First World War. Neither returned. /MHCC



The grave of Jonathan Cox, who immigrated to Canada from England in 1880, in the Bethel cemetery. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

From Lincolnshire to Minden: The Coxes

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

This is the first in a series of stories on Minden's pioneering families the Times will be publishing throughout the winter.

The Cox family has been in the Minden area for almost as long as Minden has existed.

Jonathan Cox was born on Sept. 25, 1852 in Lincolnshire, England. On Dec. 30, 1874, he married Jane Thompson and in 1880, the Coxes immigrated to Canada, eventually settling near Minden, where they worked a farm.

The Coxes help populate the burgeoning community, giving birth to 17 children – no, that's not a typo.

One of them was William "Billy" Cox, born in 1888. One of Billy's children was Denzil Cox.

Denzil, who recently turned 93 years old, moved into Hyland Crest earlier this year.

Denzil was born in 1922, in a farmhouse that still stands on the Scotch Line.

Other members of the family set up farms elsewhere in the area. Think Cox Farm Road.

Denzil's parents – his mother was Annie Amelia Stamp – started out at a farm "somewhere up the north road," Denzil says, and from there moved to the Mountain Lake property that now houses Ogopogo Resort.

"There was a lot of lake shore with that. If my father had known ahead of time what was going to happen [with the lodge boom and value of waterfront property], he would have held on to that."

Instead, the Coxes sold their lakeside farm to the Walker family and moved to the Scotch Line, where Denzil was born.

He had six siblings, one dying at birth.

"They're all around here," he says, seated by the window in his room at Hyland Crest. "They're all buried around here."

As for his many aunts and uncles, Denzil is not exactly sure what happened to all of them.

"One girl went to Saskatchewan or some place," he says. "One ended up in Buffalo, New York."

The First World War claimed the lives of Edward and Herbert Cox, Herbert killed on May 10, 1917 in France. Edward, listed as missing, was never found.

Their names are engraved on the cenotaph at the Village Green in Minden's downtown.

Another of Jonathan and Jane's children, Arthur, born in 1890, died in infancy. His grave was the first at the Bethel Church cemetery near Horseshoe Lake. His parents are buried next to him.

Denzil himself had what sounds like a near-death experience when he was a boy.

"I was fooling around on the plough," he says, "and it flipped on top of me."

It was the fall he was to begin classes at the nearby schoolhouse and while Denzil can't recall the exact nature of his injuries, he knows they were bad enough to prolong his entry into education until the following year.

Daughter Anne, seated in her dad's room, says that's a story she's never heard before.

From the Scotch Line, Denzil's family moved to a farm on the Deep Bay Road. He attended school in the schoolhouse on the property that today houses Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

Denzil can recall a Minden few can, where the main method of transportation for most people was still horse and buggy.

"We used to come in [to town] on horseback," he says. "Every business had a drive shed to put them in and tie them up."

Those with automobiles would put them up on blocks during the winter, as they were useless, the roads passable only by horse and sleigh.

Denzil recalls his father coming to pick up his siblings and him from school.

"He would come up with the team and sleigh to get us," he says, with a faraway look and smile. "We used to get a lot of snow."

The winters Denzil describes are practically unfathomable to those who didn't witness them.

All of the fences would be buried, the crust on the top of the snow sometimes strong enough for horses to walk around on.

This meant when Billy wintered his horses, "it'd be two or three weeks at a time he wouldn't let them out."

Denzil can also recall the devastating fire of 1942, which destroyed the Minden township side of the downtown strip (Bobcaygeon Road once divided Minden and Anson townships).

"It was a pretty sad-looking outfit," Denzil says, noting that some of the businesses moved afterwards.

It was after the 1942 fire that the Minden Echo was moved to the Village of Haliburton, changing its name to the Haliburton Echo.

Like many of his generation, Denzil started out working in the forests of Haliburton County.

"I started in the bush, went to lumber camps, the Department of Highways, ended up in hydro for 35 years," he says.

Circa 1950, he and brother Ellwood also ran a grocery store in Minden's downtown, where Riverview Furniture is located today.

"The girls run it," Denzil said, referring to their wives, Denzil having married Dorothy Jean Thompson in 1946 and Ellwood marrying Janet Emily Marie McPhaden in 1944.

Many of the Coxes, particularly the boys, were given interesting and unusual names – Ellwood, Denzil, Lyman, Loyne.

Denzil says the creative monikers were his mother's doing.

In his case, his name came from someone his mother had known while working in the city.

"I said to her, 'Where in the world did you ever find that name?' She worked in Toronto and she knew someone with that name."

The Cox name continues to be a strong one in Minden and Haliburton County, with many members of the family, the descendants of Jonathan and Jane and their many children, living in the area to this day.

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Varsity A Hawks soar at Kawartha Championships

The Red Hawks varsity A field hockey team: front row, from left, Maddie Allore, left front, Abby Gordon, Emma Scheffee, Brynn Meyers, Jamie Little, Jade McCartney and Shae MacNaull with goalie Sydney Cameron lying down. Back row from left, coach Jessica Lloyd, Kenndal Marsden, Mackenzie Henderson, Alex French, Rebecca Hamilton, Ali Paul, Tori Hawley, Christine Bishop and Sydney Feir. The A field hockey team won the Kawartha Championship this Monday at Sir Sanford Fleming College in Peterborough dramatic fashion. Hawks forward Shae MacNaull scored the lone goal on flicks for the 1-0 win after a scoreless draw at the end of overtime with St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School. The team earned its spot in the Kawartha final with a 6-0 win over Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School. /Submitted by Brianne Pockett



Varsity B Hawks are Kawartha champs

he Red Hawks varsity B field hockey team: front row from left, Jamie Evans, Taylor Davies and Drew Rupnow. Back row from left, Alicia Villamere, Kendra Anderson, Emily Glecoff, Jenna Hughes, Maddie Allaire, Aurora Acorn, Sonya Flatman, Mia Quigley, Emily Klose, and coach Kathryn Darling. The B field hockey team won the Kawartha Championship this past Monday at Sir Sanford Fleming College in Peterborough. The Hawks earned a trip to the finals with a bye from being first in league play. They played to a scoreless draw in the final against Holy Cross. After a scoreless overtime, the game was decided with a sudden death flick for the 3-2 win. /Submitted by Brianne Pockett

Search continues for missing Bowmanville man

by ANGELICA INGRAM
Times Staff

A missing man whose car was found in the Haliburton area has still not been found by OPP.

David Palmer was last seen on Oct. 2 by an acquaintance and reported missing by members of his family, said Sgt. Bill Calder of the Durham Regional Police Service.

From Bowmanville, Palmer, 47, suffers from health issues and requires medication. He left behind his dog, which is unusual behaviour for the missing man, said Calder.

“His dog was at the house, he never leaves his dog alone for any long length of time. That really caused a concern because he was so attached to that dog,” said Calder.

On Oct. 14 Palmer’s vehicle was found in the Haliburton area after police received in-

formation that he might be in the region. OPP would not confirm to the paper where exactly the vehicle was found.

“We knew that he had some contacts up that way,” said Calder. “We did have a feeling that he was heading up that way.”

He is described as a white male who is six feet tall, 280 pounds and has brown hair and blue eyes.

“He is believed to have been operating a brown 2002 Honda Accord bearing Ontario licence plate number BWCZ783,” said the original release from the police.

According to the DRPS, Palmer has never been missing before.

As far as Calder knows Palmer doesn’t have any record of mental health issues and foul play is not being considered at this time, however the investigation is still ongoing.

Anyone with information regarding Palmer or the investigation is being asked to contact the East Division Criminal Investigations Bureau at 1-888-579-1520 ext. 1634.

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Drivers can make several adjustments to make their fall road trips more affordable.

Enjoy a frugal fall road trip

Road trips are a staple of autumn for many motorists.

Fall road trips rarely take drivers too far away from home, but travelling can still be costly. Fortunately, there are many ways to make road trips more affordable without sacrificing fun.

- Explore alternatives to more traditional lodging. If your road trip includes an overnight stay, consider alternatives to traditional lodging. Hotels might stretch your budget, but depending on where you plan to go, you might have some less traditional alternatives. Airbnb.com allows homeowners and even some apartment dwellers to rent their homes and apartments to travellers, and these listings may pale in comparison to rates offered by nearby hotels. If weather permits, look for local campsites and spend your

nights sleeping outdoors under the autumn stars. If you prefer hotels, look for deals on sites like Priceline.com or Hotwire.com, which may offer heavy discounts on rooms.

- Take steps to conserve fuel. Lodging might prove your biggest expense on a fall road trip, but fuel likely won't be too far behind. Drivers can cut fuel costs in several ways. Before beginning your trip, take your car in for a tuneup so any issues that might affect fuel efficiency are addressed before you hit the open road. Poorly inflated tires force the engine to work harder and burn more fuel, so make sure tire pressure matches the levels recommended in your owner's manual before embarking on your trip and even along the way if you feel your car is not running as

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Tune up your car before major roadtrips

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smoothly as it could be. Another way to conserve fuel is to remove excess items from the trunk. If you don't plan to hit the links on your trip, leave your golf clubs at home.

- Plot your route. Spontaneity may make fall road trips more fun, but drivers looking to save money should plot their routes in advance so they can avoid potentially costly problems like detours or road work that can waste fuel and lead to hours sitting in traffic. Use a GPS device during your trip so you can be alerted to any unexpected developments that might cost you time and money. Plotting your route in advance also allows you to find affordable dining and lodging options and choose roads that don't require drivers to pay tolls.
- Invite some friends and family along. Inviting friends and family on a weekend getaway can make the trip more fun and more affordable. If you have room in the car, inviting friends along allows you to split fuel costs, and you may even save on lodging if you find a hotel that won't charge for extra guests in the room. Friends and family also can help split the cost of supplies.
- Bring your own food. Food is another big expense road trippers must account for. But you can save money on food by bringing your own meals along on the trip. Prepare some sandwiches the morning that you leave and keep them fresh in a cooler so you don't have to pay for lunch. In addition, pack some snacks so you and your passengers can quickly and affordably quell any hunger pangs that arise while you're on the road. If you plan to stay in a place with its own kitchen, cook your own dinners so you don't have to spend money dining out.

Road trips are a staple of autumn, when drivers can still enjoy the open road without breaking the bank.



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Maintain tire balance and alignment for a smooth ride

It is easy for motorists to take their tires for granted when everything is working correctly. Wheels and suspension systems bear the weight of cars and trucks and must bear the brunt of rough roads, pot holes and any additional obstacles, so some wear and tear is to be expected.

Many drivers know to monitor their tire pressure, but it's also important to check for worn treads and inspect tires for punctures or damage. Proper tire alignment and balance also is essential for a comfortable and smooth ride.

Balance

Balancing tires involves equalizing the weight of the combined tire and wheel assembly so that each tire spins smoothly on the road. Tires are mounted on the wheel assembly, and the chances of this assembly having precise weight distribution is nearly impossible without a little help. According to Discount Tire, the slightest imbalance in the tires, even as little as half an ounce, can be felt by drivers. Unequal mass can make tires wobble, causing noticeable vibrations.

Mechanics will test tire balance by putting it on a balancing machine. The machine will spin the tire and determine the tire's heaviest point. Counteracting weights will be placed on the tire hubs to create a more uniform balance of weight. Lead weights are often used, but some are being phased out for other metals, such as zinc, because of the medical and environmental implications of lead.

Tires that are not balanced will not only cause vibration, they also can lead to uneven wear.

Alignment

Tire alignment is another way to reduce wear on tires and help avoid steering and "pulling" problems. Bridgestone Tires defines tire alignment as an adjustment of the vehicle's suspension, or the system that connects a vehicle to its wheels.

When tires are not properly aligned, drivers may notice uneven tread wear. Misaligned tires also may cause the vehicle to pull to the left or right. Drivers who notice their steering wheel is off-center or vibrating when they are driving may need to adjust their tires' alignment.

Camber, or the inward or outward angle of the tire when viewed from the front of the vehicle, will be adjusted. In addition, "toe," or the extent to which the tires turn inward or outward when viewed from above, will be adjusted. Caster angle also helps balance steering, stability and cornering. Caster is the angle of your steering axis when viewed from the side of your vehicle.

When tires are balanced correctly and aligned, vehicles will offer a smooth ride with little to no vibrations. Having tires serviced can maximize their performance and lifespan.

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Snow tires a worthy investment

Automotive experts say that snow tires are a worthy investment that improve manoeuvrability and stopping power on winter roads. Many people leave all-season tires on their vehicles throughout the year, but snow tires may help decrease snow-related accidents and may even help drivers save money on their auto insurance.

Consumer Reports says that autumn is the best time to buy snow tires. As drivers prepare their vehicles for winter, the following snow tire tutorial can shed some light on why driving in winter is safer with snow tires.

- Snow tires are particularly helpful for people who cannot wait for roads to be cleared before they begin their days. Snow tires provide greater traction in wet, snowy or slushy conditions. Snow tires provide ample grip and make it easier for cars to turn corners and stop on slick roads.
- As the mercury falls, the rubber used to make traditional tires can become hard and less pliable, compromising its ability to grip the road. However, many snow tires are made with a specialized rubber that remains supple even in very cold temperatures, making it easier for

the tire to hug the roadways even when those roads are in poor condition.

- People who live in very cold climates and areas where snow and ice dominate the landscape for several months per year often find all-season tires are inadequate and likely to slip. Snow tires make for safer alternatives in such regions.
- Snow tires are typically manufactured the previous summer, meaning inventory is finite, according to Consumer Reports. Drivers who wait until the first snowstorm to purchase their snow tires may encounter limited inventory and find it difficult to locate the right size tire for their vehicles. That's why it's important to shop early.
- Retire snow tires earlier than you would all-season tires. Snow tires lose almost all of their effectiveness once they reach 6/32-inch deep tread.

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Waxing 101: What to know before waxing your car

Waxing a car is a great way to maintain its exterior. Including waxing as part of your routine vehicle maintenance can protect the car or truck from some natural hazards, including sun damage, pollen and the dirt and grime that can accumulate on a car over time.

Motorists unfamiliar with waxing may be intimidated by the sheer volume of waxes on the shelves at their local automotive supply stores, which will no doubt offer an array of both liquid and paste waxes as well as many spray waxes. When testing waxes in 2013, Consumer Reports found that liquid and paste waxes were relatively equal with regard to their effectiveness, while spray waxes were very convenient though not very durable.

Waxing a vehicle is no small task, and drivers should learn as much as they can about car wax and the different types of waxes before attempting the job themselves.

The differences between waxes

In their study of liquid, paste and spray waxes, Consumer Reports found that paste waxes were easier to apply than liquid waxes, but that the overall performance of paste waxes fell short of liquid waxes. Liquid waxes were very durable and provided the gloss many motorists look for when waxing their vehicles. But liquid waxes were difficult to apply evenly, something first timers should consider when choosing a wax. Spray waxes were convenient and easy to use, and many can be wiped off without drying. But Consumer Reports found spray waxes were not as durable as liquid or paste waxes, so they may need to be applied more frequently.

Because waxing is done to protect a car and improve its appearance, it's important that drivers waxing their vehicles for the first time test the wax on an area of their vehicles that is not easily seen to the naked eye. This affords some room for

error as you learn the waxing ropes while also allowing you to test out different waxes until you find the right fit.

There are some additional tricks drivers can employ when waxing their vehicles that can make the job easier and the wax that much more effective.

- Wash first, then wax. Make sure you give your car or truck a good wash before you apply any wax. Allow the car to dry completely before applying any wax.
- Avoid sunlight. Consumer Reports notes that sunlight can soften paint and make it susceptible to scratching, so avoid washing and waxing your car in direct sunlight.
- Use microfibre towels. Microfibre towels were found to be more effective than cloth rags at removing residue. In addition, cloth rags can trap dirt and scratch finishes, so opt for lamb's wool mitts instead.
- Go from top to bottom. The bottom of a vehicle is more susceptible to grime, so work your way down when waxing so you are not contaminating your towels. A contaminated towel increases the risk of scratching your vehicle's exterior.



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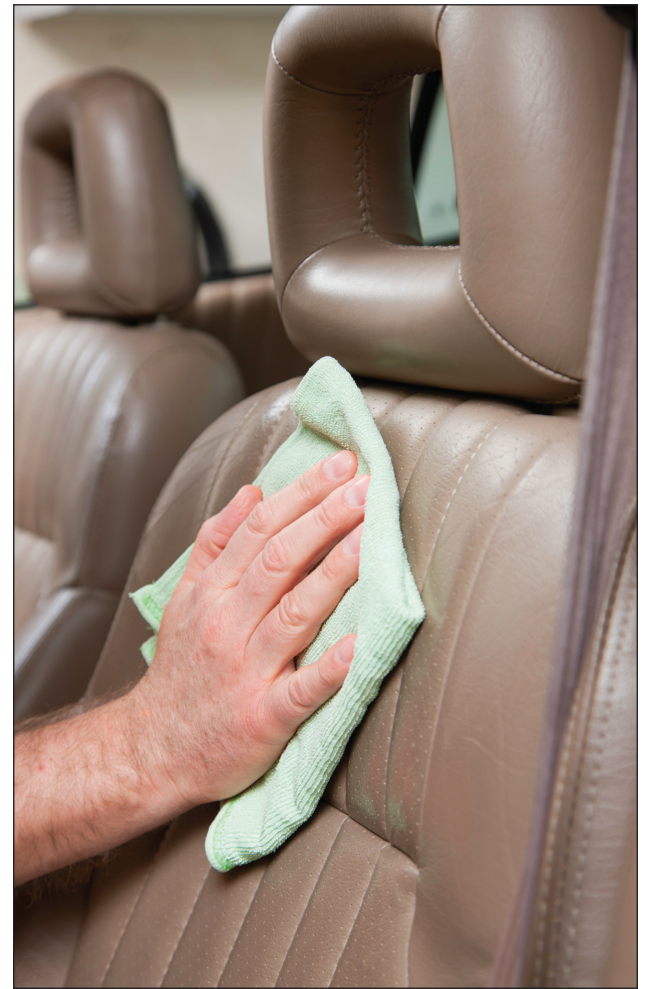
According to data from TrueCar.com, in 2012 the average new car cost \$30,500. That's a considerable expense, especially at a time when fuel costs remain high and cost of living continues to rise.

Because new cars have become so expensive, more and more vehicle owners are looking for ways to extend the life of their vehicles. The longer a car can stay on the road, the better an investment that vehicle becomes. Fortunately, there are several steps vehicle owners can take that should ensure their vehicles stay on the road for years to come.

- Scale back on short trips. The toll cold starts take on a vehicle can add up over time. When a car is started, condensation builds up in the vehicle's exhaust system. On longer trips, that condensation will gradually evaporate. However, on short trips, that condensation often does not have enough time to evaporate, and over time too many short trips will lead to an accumulation of water in the muffler that can lead to rust and rust holes on the muffler. Short trips also can negatively affect gas mileage. When possible, leave your car at home on trips into town when you can just as easily walk or ride a bicycle. Over time, reducing the amount of short trips you take in your car will greatly reduce wear and tear on your vehicle and improve your fuel efficiency as well.
- Stick to the manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule. Adhering to your vehicle's maintenance schedule serves many purposes, including improving the its durability and protecting various components, including its cooling system and drivetrain. While many manufacturers used to recommend changing a vehicle's oil every 3,000 miles, many of today's newer automobiles need their oil changed less frequently. Check your owner's manual for manufacturer recommendations regarding oil changes, and don't forget to replace the oil filter when changing your vehicle's oil.
- Pay attention to brake pads. Brake pads that are allowed to wear down can cause damage to the brakes'

rotors and calipers. That damage can prove costly and make things harder on your vehicle. Keep an eye on your vehicle's brake pads, which are far less expensive to replace than rotors and calipers, and do not allow them to wear down to metal.

- Keep your tires properly inflated. Tires that are under-inflated will negatively impact your vehicle's fuel efficiency. In addition, the tires' life expectancy is reduced considerably when tires are not properly inflated. Routinely check your tire pressure, especially if you drive a lot, and keep tires inflated at the pressure recommended in your vehicle's owner's manual.
- Be mindful when filling up your tank. Many people do not pay much attention to their surroundings when pulling into the filling station. But when you fill up can impact your car's life expectancy. Perhaps the worst time to fill your tank is when the fuel tanker is in the gas station refilling the underground tanks. That's because the process of filling the underground tanks can stir up sediment that had settled at the bottom of those tanks. If that sediment finds its way into your vehicle's gas tank, it can clog filters and fuel injectors and negatively affect the vehicle's performance. So unless your car is running on empty, avoid refilling its gas tank when the tanker is still in the station.
- Take care of your vehicle's interior, too. Caring for a car is not just about being good to what's under the hood. Caring for the car's interior will not necessarily impact its performance, but a well-kept interior will improve how you look at your vehicle and how much you enjoy driving it. The longer you enjoy driving your vehicle, the longer you are likely to keep it. Preserve the vehicle's door and window seals; clean the dashboard, including the gauges, vacuum the floor mats; and wipe down the vehicle's interior, whether it's cloth or leather. Keeping up the appearance of the car's interior will make the vehicle more enjoyable to drive and increase its value at resale.



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Midget B girls Jets host Lindsay Lynx

The Bancroft I.D.A. / Canadian Tire Midget B Girls Jets followed their peewee and bantam Jet teams with a Home Opener win on Saturday night in Bancroft. With both the Peewee and Bantam teams winning their games, the Midget B squad took to the ice to take on the tenacious Keene Wolverines. Following a two-week hiatus of no games after Thanksgiving, the Jets looked to get back to their early season form. Midway through the first period, Katie Funk chipped the puck up the boards out of the Bancroft end and Kenndal Marsden finished off the play, scoring a short-side squeaker the eluded the Keene tender. The remainder of the game was a seesaw battle with both teams trying to solve the netminder of the other team. The 1-0 tally proved to be the difference and resulted in the final score. Katie Hoover earned her second shut out of the season in the 1-0 Home Opener win.

On Sunday, the Jets hosted the Lindsay Lynx at 5 p.m. in Haliburton. Ella Hedley opened the scoring, just 30 seconds into the first period, finishing off a rebound tally to give the Jets an early lead. Kelsey Maracle finished off a tic-tac-toe play from Katie Funk and Sydney Feir early in the second period to give the Jets a 2-0 lead. The pesky Lynx squad never relented and midway through the third period capitalized on a turnover deep in the Bancroft end and snuck a knuckle-ball tally into the Jets' net to make the score 2-1. Both teams continued their aggressive play in their opponents' end of the rink, and with a few minutes left in the game, Kelsey Maracle netted her second goal in the game with a goal mouth scramble final marker in the eventual 3-1 win. The Jets host that always tough Peterborough Ice Kats Monday night, Oct. 26, in Bancroft at 7 p.m.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

Tykes travel to Ennismore

On Saturday, Oct. 24 the Highland Storm Tyke team travelled to Ennismore for their first game of the season. The Storm dominated play leading to their first victory of the year. Goals were scored by Connor Byrne, Brechin Johnston, Vanek Logan, Jace Mills, McLean Rowden and Josh Scheffee. Chase Winder earned his first shut out. Excellent play by the whole team led to the 11-0 win. The Highland Storm 2015-2016 team members are:

Brady Burtch, Connor Byrne, Liam Harrison, Brechin Johnston, Evan Jones, Vanek Logan, Caleb Manning, Jace Mills, McLean Rowden, Josh Scheffee, Parker Simms and Chase Winder. Great job team!

On Sunday, Oct. 25 the Storm hosted Centre Hastings for their first home game of the season. The Storm worked hard to keep possession of the puck and after a scoreless first period, they came alive and went on to win 6-0. Great team play by everyone. Goals were scored by Connor Byrne, Brechin Johnston, Caleb Manning and Jace Mills. Strong defensive play by Evan Jones led to another shut out for the Storm goalie.

To close out the weekend, the Storm Tyke team travelled to Tweed on Sunday afternoon and played a nail-bitter of a game. The final score had the Storm with nine and Tweed with six but it was goal for goal action the entire game. Very strong offensive chances were had by Parker Simms and Brady Burtch. Goals were scored by Connor Byrne, Liam Harrison, Brechin Johnston, Jace Mills and McLean Rowden. Excellent goal tending by Chase Winder sealed the first winning weekend. Way to go, Storm!

Submitted by Janice Scheffee

Bantam A's play Hodgson tournament

The Highland Storm Bantam A team participated in the Cody Hodgson tournament this past weekend in Haliburton and Minden.

It began against the Mariposa Lightning early Saturday morning. That game ended in a 1-0 win for the Highland Storm. The only goal occurred mid way through the first period. Lucas Haedicke took the face-off in the Mariposa end, made a pass to Ben MacNaull, his shot deflected in for the goal. It was a nail-biter game, Carson Sisson gave a stellar performance in net, earning a shut-out.

Next the Highland Storm team met with the Loyalist Jets. That game ended with a 7-2 victory for the Highland Storm. Late in the first period, Lucas Haedicke rushed into the Jets end, a pass off to Austin French and he chipped it in. Seconds later the Jets tied it up, ending the first period. Early in the second, the Jets took the

lead. A few minutes later, Tanner Crang's shot trickled in, assisted by Austin French, making it 2-2. The Highland Storm continued to push. Some great passes by Austin French and Nigel Smith, found Owen Gilbert alone and open in front of the net, making it 3-2 for the Storm. Storm continued to work hard, dominating the play. James Alexander's pass found the stick of Austin French and he got the goal, now 4-2. Late in the second, Owen Gilbert made a hard rush and got a breakaway that ended in a nice goal, now 5-2, ending the second. The Storm came out strong in the third. Lucas Haedicke took a pass from Nigel Smith and slammed it in, 6-2 for the Storm. The game continued with lots of back and forth action. Late in the third period, another rush by Owen Gilbert ended with Austin French back-handing it in for the seventh goal.

The Highland Storm's third game was against the Brock Wild. They fought hard in an exciting nail biter that ended in a 1-1 tie. The Wild took the lead in the second period while on a power play. A super rush by Owen Gilbert tied the game. Both teams continued to work hard in very entertaining hockey.

The Storm finished first in their pool and took on the Bancroft Jets on Sunday morning in the semi-finals. They had a disappointing 5-1 loss with Isaac Little scoring the lone Storm goal.

The Bantam Storm's next

home game is Friday, Oct. 30 at 7 p.m. in Haliburton against South Muskoka.

Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

Midget A team starts season right

The Dollo's Foodland and Smolen's Dentistry Highland Storm Midget A team took to the ice with a verocious enthusiasm this weekend. This lively squad showed renewed tenacity as they battled in the semi-final match against the TNT Tornadoes. A very tight game that entered overtime tied at 1 apiece. The tie was broken in the final minute of three-on-three play by Andrew Hall. This win sent the Storm into the tournament final against the Bancroft Jets. The two evenly matched opponents found themselves locked up 1-1 after the first period, the score by Jayden Wood. The second period saw the home side pull ahead with two more on the board thanks to Jayden Wood and Owen Patterson-Smith. The tense third period first showed a tally by the visitors with 30 seconds on the clock and their goalie pulled, bringing them to within one. The Storm then put the game out of reach with an empty netter by Kyle Lavergne, finishing the game 4-2. The home side was crowned the champions – well done, boys! An excellent start to the tournament season; their next game is Friday, Oct. 30, in Haliburton at 8:30.

Submitted by Dave and Katie Howe

Tough defeat for novice team

It was another double header for the Timber Mart Highland Storm novice team this time in Port Carling. The first game was a tough defeat against the Port Carling Rocks 2-1. Single goal by Addison Carr.

The second game the Highland Storm made an awesome come back winning 5-4 against the Port Carling Rocks. Kadin Card scored his first hat trick of the season. As well as goals being scored by Graeme Armstrong and Addison Carr.

The next scheduled game is Oct. 31 at S.G Nesbitt arena at 11 a.m. against the Huntsville Otters.

Submitted by Amber Card

Peewee AE team plays Georgian Shores Fall Classic

The Walker's Heating and Cooling Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team Highland Storm peewee AE's travelled to Meaford/Thornbury this weekend to participate in the Georgian Shores Fall Classic.

The Storm played the Stayner Cyclones in game one. The Cyclones came out strong but Storm goalie Bella Smolen made some big saves keeping the score at 0-0. The Cyclones continued to press though and had a 2-0 lead going into the second period. Stayner made it 3-0 half way through the middle frame with a shorthanded goal. A Storm goal early in the third by Tim Turner gave the team some hope but Stayner quickly responded with one of their own. Tim Turner scored his 2nd goal of the game on the power play however the Storm went on to lose the tournament opener 5-2. Storm player of the game: Goaltender Bella Smolen.

Early Saturday morning, the Storm played the host team, Georgian Shores Lightning in game 2. The Lightning took control and scored quickly in the first minute. The game remained very close with end to end action until the Lightning scored their second goal midway through the second period. The Storm continued pressing and had a number of wonderful chances but were thwarted by strong Lightning goaltending. The Georgian Shores team would add one more goal late in the third for a 3-0 win. Storm player of the game: centre Sam Hoenow.

The Storm were in a do-or-die situation against the Powassan Hawks in game 3; they had to win to continue on in the tournament. The Storm's Brendan Coumbs scored a remarkable 9 seconds into the game sending the Storm fans into a frenzy.

The Hawks, who were also in a must-win situation came back with three unanswered goals. From the midway point, both teams battled with exciting end to end action and multiple scoring chances for both squads. Storm goalie Nathan Miscio stopped everything in sight during a pressure filled third period as his teammates tried valiantly to get a couple of goals past the equally impressive Hawk goaltender. Brendan Coumbs would finally get another Storm goal with five minutes left in the game to set things up for a thrilling finish. Unfortunately for the Storm,

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Here at the old farmhouse after the initial disappointment at the end of the post season run the Toronto Blue Jays are still high on our list of favourites. What a great season and as always "hope springs eternal" for 2016. Now there is one more similarity. Yellow lab Taffy began limping yeah hopping favouring her back right leg and a trip to the vet resulted in a provisional diagnosis of a torn A.C.L. ligament in her knee joint. Apparently this is quite a common condition and already she is responding to anti-inflammatory medication. What similarity? Well ace pitcher Marcus Strohman experienced the same injury during spring training and after several months of vigorous rehabilitation unexpectedly was able to return to the team in September. I suspect that Marcus was more diligent in following his program and did not attempt to spit out his medication when mom's back was turned. At five feet eight inches tall he is one of the shortest pitchers presently in major

league baseball but his personal motto says it all: "H.D.M.H." stands for "Height Does Not Measure Heart."

Although this Saturday, Oct. 31 is Halloween, the Christmas spirit is already here. Experience it at the Burnt River United Church Women's Christmas Craft Sale from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Burnt River Community Centre. There will be a great variety of vendors, lunch available at a reasonable cost and those famous turkey pies for sale. Admission is free but donations of non-perishable food items most welcomed. The Quilt Draw will be held at closing. For more details give Pat a call at 705-488-3328.

The annual turkey dinner sponsored by the Galway Hall Committee will be held this Saturday, Oct. 31 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the fully accessible Galway Hall with a fabulous full traditional dinner and homemade pies for dessert. Please note that the bridge on the Galway Road is presently being replaced and access to the hall from County Road 121 is via a detour along Crystal Lake Road to Allen's Alley then following the Alley to its end at Galway Road. There turn left onto the Galway Road and backtrack to the hall. Take extra care driving on Allen's Alley as although it is paved it is narrower and wind-

ing The cost for the dinner is \$15.

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 Kinmount will be holding a special Halloween Meat Draw on Saturday, Oct. 31 at 5 p.m. with Jeff Moulton back by popular demand to entertain with his brand of rock and roll. There is also a "fowl supper" coming up on Saturday, Nov. 7th so best to call the branch at 705-488-3462 or check out details on the Facebook page. This is a busy time for the Branch which provides leadership at several Remembrance Day Services throughout our area. On Sunday, Nov. 15 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. the Branch will be hosting a new event. Spirits And Splatters is coming and the Branch will be filled with creative people painting a beautiful field of poppies. Never painted well this is no problem as a fun professional artist will be on hand to help you step by step. The fee is \$45 with apron, paints, canvas, brushes, easels and fun all provided. Pre-registration is required online at www.spiritsandsplatters.com or by calling Mary-Lou at 705-488-3174.

Mark your calendars now for the Kinmount & Area Artisans Guild's Mistletoe Magic Christmas Sale coming up on Saturday, Nov. 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Kinmount Community Centre. Guild members will

have a variety of arts and crafts along with a bake sale, refreshments and lunch available, seasonal music, a Country Raffle and more. Donations to the Food Bank will earn a ticket on a special draw.

Also to set a festive mood tickets are available for the annual Christmas Music Night on Saturday, Dec. 5 at the Galway Hall featuring the Fitzgerald family from Bancroft, Ontario. This musical evening sponsored by the Kinmount Committee for Planning & Economic Development begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 which includes the concert, desserts and Loonie Auction with a Christmas theme and available by calling 705-488-2635.

All along the roads the tamarack trees have brought gold to an otherwise muted landscape. This tree was new to us when we bought the farm and is sometimes known as the western larch or locally the "hackamatack" according to then good neighbour Jim. Remember to change your clocks and alarm batteries this Sunday morning with an extra hour sleep in to boot. It continually amazes me how my computer just knows all these things.

Do keep busy and well.
They go together . . .

Storm carried off by Hawks in third period

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Powassan held their ground for an exciting 3-2 victory. Player of the game: Goaltender Nathan Miscio.

Although the Storm did not get the result they wanted on the ice, the opportunity to stay and play over the course of the weekend in the beautiful Blue Mountain region was a memorable bonding experience for the team; that in itself made this tournament a success for your Walker's Heating and Cooling Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team Highland Storm peewee AE team. Upcoming peewee AE Games: Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Haliburton vs. South Muskoka Bears Saturday, Oct. 31 at 2 p.m. in Minden vs. Huntsville Otters Sunday, Nov. 1 Double Header vs. Muskoka Rock in Minden at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Submitted by Gord Hoenow

Peewee girls team victorious over Comets

The Peewee girls took on a full weekend of regular season games starting this past Friday in Peterborough taking on the Peterborough Ice Kats.

The Bancroft Jets came out strong in the first period, with two goals from Beth Brownlee and one from Hannah McMann. With a score of 3-0, momentum carried strong into the second and thru into the third. Chloe Billings scored her first goal of the season to close out the scoring

in a 6-0 win.

Saturday, the team played in Bancroft against the Cold Creek Comets. The arena was full of fans to see this team in action. Elyse Ives opened up the scoring early, the assist going to Peyton Armstrong.

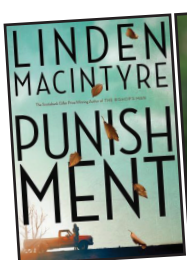

Offensive and defensive players stayed dominate through the second and were able to keep the lead. The third period brought two more goals, one from Armstrong assisted by Sterling Nesbitt, and the third and final goal was tipped into the net by Emma Tidey after an outstanding sliding belly pass Armstrong managed to get in front of the net. The girls took home a 3-0 victory.

On Sunday the Leveque Brothers/Rock Breaker Peewee girls headed to Wilberforce to face the Otonabee Wolverines. Looking to get the third shut out of the weekend in as many days for goalie Courtney Semach, the girls came out with relentless forechecking that lead to many positives.

Multiple goals came from Olivia Villamere, Emma Neuman, Emma Tidey, and Beth Brownlee, leading to a 7-0 win.

The Bancroft Peewee Girl Jets will head to Otonabee this coming Saturday, and will have their Haliburton home opener game on Sunday, Nov. 1 at 5 p.m. taking on the Cold Creek Comets. Come out and support these incredibly determined girls!!

Submitted by Cindy Nesbitt

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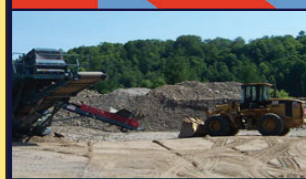
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Coldwell final straw in scarecrow contest

DORSET NEWS

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The third annual Dorset and Oxtongue Lake Scarecrow Contest wrapped up last Wednesday at the Dorset Recreation Centre with awards and a pumpkin pie social. It was another successful contest with 10 fantastic entries. Entries included: "Going to the Hub" by Coldwell Banker Wiley Real Estate, "Have a Chat with Brad" by Robinson's General Store, "Official Blue Jays Farm Team" by the Dorset Heritage Museum, "If I Only Had a Brain" by Old Mill Marina, "Family" by Elise Muller and family, "Our Lady of the Lost and Found" by the Dorset Recreation Centre, "Maja the Minion" by Janet Helsel and Marlene Kyle, "On the Edge" by the Dorset Tower staff, "Gone Postal" by the Dorset Post Office and "Bats in Our Belfry" by Knox United Church.

All the entries were great and very creative. Community voting took place at the Dorset Recreation Centre during the Thanksgiving Arts and Crafts Show and through the following week. There were three winners and seven runner ups. Taking third place was "If I Only Had a Brain" by Old Mill Marina. Second place was "Our Lady of the Lost and Found" by the Dorset Rec Centre and in first place, "Going to the Hub" by Coldwell Banker Wiley Real Estate. Congratulations!

A big thank you to the Township of Algonquin Highlands and the District Municipality of Muskoka for supporting and sponsoring the scarecrow contest and to all the people who put such a great effort into creating the entries. We are looking forward to next year!

The Dorset Kids Halloween Party is taking place this Saturday, Oct. 31 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Dorset Rec Centre. There will be lots of spooky fun! The candy is in and Dorset Lions are busy putting together huge treat bags, and preparing to decorate. If you would like to help, meet at the Dorset Recreation Centre at 1 p.m. on Saturday. The Halloween activities are sponsored by the Dorset Lions Club

and the Dorset Recreation Committee with the support of local businesses.

Knox United Church in Dorset will be holding a Remembrance Day Service at the Dorset Parkette on Sunday, Nov. 8 at 9 a.m. Coffee and muffins will be served at the Knox church hall on Harvey Avenue following the service and all are welcome!

The Dorset Recreation Centre is hosting a Balance, Strength and Fall Recovery Yoga class on Thursdays from Nov. 5 to Dec. 10 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The cost of the six week session is \$30 (or \$5 per class) and advance registration is required. For more information, email recreation@algonquin-highlands.ca or call 705-766-9968.

Birthdays for the week of October 25 to 31 go out to Nathan Reid, Shirley Cleary and Happy 65th to Doris Nash! If you have items or birthdays for the Dorset News, please send them along to malfano@hotmail.ca or give me a call at 705-766-0076.



"Going to the Hub" by Coldwell Banker Wiley Real Estate, far left, took the top prize in the third annual Dorset and Oxtongue Lake Scarecrow Contest.

Left, "Our Lady of the Lost and Found" outside the Dorset Rec Centre was the second place finisher.

Below left, "If I Only Had a Brain" by Old Mill Marina had the Halloween spirit, taking third place in the scarecrow contest.

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Homemade soups; pulled pork or cold meat on a bun, dessert, coffee and tea
Take out available

Halloween in Cardiff

When: Saturday October 31/15
Where: Cardiff Community Centre
Carved Pumpkin Contest: 11:00am-12:30 pm, Bring your families creatively carved pumpkin to be judged.
2nd Annual Zombie walk through Cardiff: 1:00pm-3:00pm, Come dressed up as a Zombie and haunt the streets of Cardiff. Please bring a non-perishable food item for We Scare Hunger
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County card scores



by Patti Fleury

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Oct. 20 Shuffleboard at Stanhope Firehall: Bev Alexander and Ray Lymer topped the charts at 344 with Joyce Broersma and Yvonne Arbuthnot in second spot at 221. Our reporter Pearl Cowen teamed with Bev Kerr were third at 188 while the afternoon's low of 116 was posted by Lyn Preston and George Hamilton.

Oct. 20 contract bridge at Minden United Church: Top marks over the morning went to Linda Taylor 4,240, Linda Greig 4,140 and Gerald Bergin 4,130. Linda Greig teamed up with Jan Heaven for a Small Slam and our reporter Nancy Ballantyne partnered with Gareth Kellett also took a Small Slam.

Oct. 20 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: Tom Grix reports that the leading ladies were Shirley Milne 280, Jean Scadden 273, Vi Howell 262 and Joan McKnight 245. First for the gents at 331 was Marcel Roussel followed by Pat Scadden 306, Jesse Barlow 240 and Archie Ross 235. Sharon Jarvis won the major draw with Marcel Roussel, Joan McKnight and Jean Scadden claiming the smaller prizes while moonshots landed on Sharon Jarvis, Jean Scadden, Pat Norman, Shirley Milne and Albert Foster.

Oct. 20 euchre at Lochlin Community Centre: Lone hand honours went to Donna Darby with Rae Dawn Shephard high lady and our reporter Nancy MacPherson low. For the gents Ed McDowell led the scoring with Jim McPherson low man and Rae Dawn Shephard winning the draw.

Oct. 21 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Playing Howell Ev Morgan and our reporter Margo Davidson led at 58 percent followed by Dorothy and Tom Howat 57 percent, Dee MacLean and Joan Davies 56 percent and Ross Fletcher partnered with Frank Schlotter 54 percent.

Oct. 21 Big Bucks Bid Euchre at Kinmount Legion: Rose Isaacson reports that at 392 Stella Kennedy led the scoring with Brenda Swanton next at 380 and Carole Murphy 367 third.

Oct. 22 euchre at Minden Legion: Most lone hand hold-

ers were Loretta Lamb and John Bowyer with Linda Hopkins and David Lamb posting the high scores. The evening's lows went to Gala Newell and Tom Orr with Clara Miscio winning the draw while Betty Wagar, John Bowyer and Elaine Smith took home the other prizes.

Oct. 22 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Leading ladies were Clare Obdam 298, Tom Howat 280, Vi Howell 265 and tied for fourth place at 247 Pat Roussel and Pat Marshall. First for the gents at 356 was Thom Arnold followed by Dwaine Lloyd 320, Ida Young 271 and Tom Grix 266. Kevin Maloney held the hidden score with Dwaine Lloyed winning the card draw and Vi Howell the call 1. In the moonshot department Tom Grix, Pearl Cowen, Thom Arnold, Ida Young, Vi Howell, Sharron Atkinson, Al McMullen and Albert Foster all had singles with our reporter Bev Johnson taking two.

Oct. 23 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: Shirley Howe reports that Arthur Forbes won for high hands, Jean Randell for lone hands, Judy Reddy for low hands and Pat Bailey for the special prize.

Oct. 23 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Playing Howell Peter O'Connor and Margo Davidson were first at 68 percent then Helen Baker and Nancy Jackson 64 percent, Jackie Metcalf and Ross Fletcher 55 percent and Joan Davies partnered with Sue Pethick 52 percent.

Oct. 25 Sunday bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: At this monthly event the top trio members were Jason Peacock 333, Chris Clarke 295 and Karen Chapman 288. Howard Smith held the hidden score, Gail Medcalf took the card draw and Clare Obdam won for call 1. Clare also had a moonshot along with Doug McIntosh, Dave Deemert, Al McMullen, Vi Howell, Archie Ross, Diane Wigley and Ron Morrison. Thanks to Bev Johnson for this news.

Oct. 26 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: From Tim Sharpe the news that Elaine Smith and Mary Trumbull claimed lone hand honours with Pearl Cowen and Mabel Deacon posting the high scores. The afternoon's low went to Yvonne Arbuthnot while Mabel Deacon won the regular special prize. To celebrate Halloween 3 extra prizes were awarded to Lyn Preston, Don Blakey and Kay Naylor.

Oct. 26 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Top marks went to Rae Dawn Shephard at 357 with Gala Newell next at 279 and Vic Ballik 244 third. Rose Isaacson adds that Diane Wigley won the draw.

Oct. 26 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Winning for high hands was our reporter Sherin Brown, for lone hands Nick Boekestyn and for both low hands and the special prize Peter O'Reilly.

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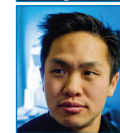
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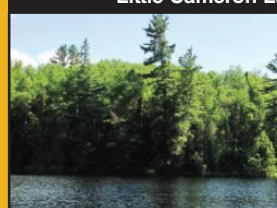
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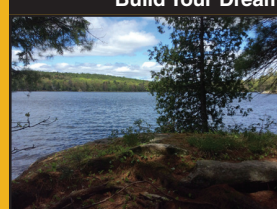
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